The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—They are bound to furnish such information as the Hon'ble Members ask for, provided such information could be given and there is no further need to issue any circular to them.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—Because in my experience, in four out of about half a dozen cases, no doubt I have received replies, but with regard to two cases, no information has been furnished, nor have they given me any reason as to why that information cannot be furnished.

The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—Probably, no information could be furnished in those two instances. We will have to enquire. If the Hon'ble Member will let me know about the details of those two instances, I shall enquire.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—In one case I wanted information regarding the amount provided for the construction of primary buildings in various districts. That information was not furnished. I do not know why exactly it was not furnished.

The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—Probably information was being collected and could not be furnished all at once. I will find out.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—Now I have got that information, because in answer to a certain interpellation which I tabled before this House, that has been furnished to me. The letter requesting that information may be given early was sent to the Secretary concerned about six months ago and no information was furnished up till now.

The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—Probably within the six months, all the figures have been collected and the answer has been given.

Statistics about persons having no means of livelihood.

Q.—199. **Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA** (Shimoga District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have collected statistics about persons who have no ostensible means of livelihood ;

(*b*) whether it has come to their notice that the number of such persons is very large in the State ;

(*c*) whether it has come to their notice that such persons are a menace to the State and Society ?

A.— **The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM** (Minister for Law and Labour).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Is it your contention that there are no persons at all who have no ostensible means of livelihood ?

The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—That is not my contention.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—May I know whether that information was collected in the last census ?

The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—Very likely it has been collected. I have no idea.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Have the Government no information regarding the number of persons who have no ostensible means of livelihood ?

The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—That is what I have said.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Crimes of theft, manufacture of illicit liquor and committing dacoity are all these offences due to these persons having no ostensible means of livelihood and having no desire to work ?

The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM.—How can I say that ? There may be a thief who has got property but still continues to commit theft.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Kolar District—General).—Is it an offence to have no ostensible means of livelihood?

The Hon'ble Sri H. C. DASAPPA.—Certainly not.

Alleged sale of liquor in Prohibited Areas.

Q.—41. **Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA** (Hassan District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that arrack, foreign liquor, *ganja* and opium are being sold surreptitiously in Districts where prohibition is in force;